NAVY HEADS IN CONTINUAL STRIFE

Daniels at Odds with General Board-Both with Congress.

BETTERMENT PLANS **ONLY COMPROMISES**

Prominent Officer Tells Why the last two years. Chaos Rules in the Administration.

[From The Tribune Bureau.] Washington, Dec. 7 .- "What the United States navy needs, more than anything else, is a coherent plan for increased development and a co-ordination of the various factors making the navy one plan is what the present administration of our naval affairs lacks."



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FLEET, DRILLS BARRED, EXPOSED TO DISASTER

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fallen for some reason below standard. The long expected collision

would be the result. A fleet in the accepted sense of naval administration at the present time consists of twenty battleships, and is divided into two squadrons, one for "defence," say, one for "offence," of ten ships each. In turn each squadron is divided into two divisions of five ships each. It is assumed that one out of every five ships in a division will be for three months at her navy yard under annual overhaul, so that the active fleet will consist of sixteen ships. Such a fleet has not been assembled at any time within

The Secretary of the Navy has stated that he has personally attended fleet manœuvres twice in 1913. It is very likely the Secretary does not entirely understand what such manœuvres are, for fleet manœuvres were absolutely impossible at any time during 1913. In February of that year the Third Division of the fleet was ordered to Vera Cruz and remained there throughout the year and until the Mexican trouble was settled.

NO MORE DRILLS AT PRESENT.

The Assistant Secretary states that the manœuvres were held off the complete, rounded entirety. Such a Virginia Capes, but with one division absent. That is to say, one-quarter of the total number of ships was absent-in other words, that four ships of one of the squadrons were opposed to eight, assuming fleet formation most prominent officers of the United was kept. Nevertheless, so many ships present at drill can be described States navy. They were based on real as the palmy days of the fleet, when, in response to Admiral Fletcher's knowledge of the present chaotic in- order to mobilize, five ships show up. After a week spent in futile ternal conditions of the Navy Depart- manœuvres of this sort the admiral issued a second peremptory call. In

ment, and were inspired by a patriotic interest in the sane upbuilding of the navy. He went on to say:

"The trouble with our navy to-day is that there is a lack of co-ordination, coherency and concordance of plan between the navy officers, the present Secretary and the navy officers, the present Secretary and the members of the two Congressional committees having the affairs of the navy under their care. The Secretary is out of sympathy with size devisers, even among the members of the seven among the members of the General Board of then may have to this four more ships were eventually gathered; so that at the cussion of naval affairs and the rectoration of shattered discipline in the service is contained in an open letter to stage to jibe the majority. For the fleet is not to be given another chance. None of the ships, Secretary of the Navy Daniels which as is well known by this time, is in fit shape for an extended cruise. An as is well known by this time, is in fit shape for an extended cruise. An appears in "The Marine Review." It is signed P. Decimus Muss, S. P. Q. R. (retired), and reads in part as follows:

"If wonder whether you realize that you are manager of a great industrial concern, representing an investment of hundreds of millions of dollars, with a fafairs of the navy under their care. The Secretary is out of sympathy with affairs of the navy under their care. The Secretary is out of sympathy with affairs of the navy under their care. The Secretary is out of sympathy with affairs of the navy affairs and the rectoration of naval affairs and the rectoration of shattered discipline in the service is contained in an open letter to private life when they would work together and that they would work

uestion of your personal relations ith the navy to a greater extent than ther of the preceding stories," he was

"That is all the more reason why I is should not exert myself to reply. If it were on a public question, rather than a personal one, it is far more important that I answer it, but only at the proper time."

Without reservation or exception, were presented to the Supreme Court to-day in a brief filed by Joseph W. Folk, as counsel of the commission, in the case of the government against the Louisville & Nashville Railroad.

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BATTLE EFFICIENCY URGED ON DANIELS

Writer in 'Marine Review' Pleads for Restoration of Morale in Navy.

A plea for battle efficiency, freer dis-

payroll of over a hundred thousand na les; and lalso wonder whether you actually know what product that concern was established to turn out. There is nothing in your official acts There is nothing in your official acts and utterances, so far as I am aware, to show that you realize the one or know the other. If there were I should

know the other. If there were I should not be calling your attention at this moment to the navy as a vast factory or to its product, 'battle efficiency.'
"Unfortunatel, for yourself, you have, like your predecessory, exerted all your power to prevent any expres-sion of general sentiment by forbidding the open discussion of every profes-sional topic, of whatever description. the open discussion of every professional topic, of whatever description. There are, at most, but a very few matters which in themselves are confidential—such as new devices in ordnance and torpedoes or plans of naval campaigns and actions. No officer, one could alriost say no enlisted man, would ever think of discussing such things in public—but, omitting these and such other subjects, if any, as may be definitely proscribed by the department, the whole field of haval activity might well be thrown open to debate conducted within the limits of courteous and impersonal treatment."

derwood, the majority floor lead conferred with the President at White House this evening. Mr. Wi sent for them late in the day and them separately, reading to them are separately, reading to them separately, reading to them separately, reading to them separately, reading to them are separately, reading to them separately, reading to th

After suggesting that certain by-products of the service have been favored to the sacrifice of the main issue the writer asks:

"To divert the navy's work, funds or interest to any other cause, worthy or unworthy, whether it be seeking the good will of the labor unions, the opergood will of the labor unions, the operation of useless navy yards, the killing off of private shipyards, armor plants, powder factories; the sudden announcement of new qualifications for promotion, the discouraging of private makers of naval material, are only justifiable when the proof is clear beyond peradventure that battle efficiency is thereby enhanced. Has the latter been your guide in your attitude toward these and similar questions?"

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the right to scrutinize all the business affairs of the railroads of the country,

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63D CONGRESS IN ITS LAST SESSION

Neutrality and National Defence Prominent in

ing on a Programme.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]
Washington, Dec. 7.— Seventy-six
Senators, some of them bearing the honors of the recent Congressional campaign, some of them flying the colors of defeat, and some of them ready to turn their backs on public life for the last time, responded to the rollcail to-day when Vice-President Marshall announced the opening of the third and last session of the 63d Congress.

They were a different lot from the Senators who straggled away one by one six weeks ago, when the cotton filibusters held up adjournment for two days after the signal for departure had been given.

Republicans contemplated the work shead of them with apparent satisfacpaign, some of them flying the colors

Senator Hitchcock is making preparations for hearings on the Philippines bill, which will begin next week. Hearings will also be held on the administration conservation measures. More than a hundred bills were introduced to-day covering neutrality ques-tions, the foot and mouth disease, war tax complications and other less im-portant subjects.

Senator Kern and Representative Un-Senator Kern and Representative Underwood, the majority floor leaders,
conferred with the President at the
White House this evening. Mr. Wilson
sent for them late in the day and met
them separately, reading to them the
message which he will deliver to-morrow and discussing the legislation
which he desires should be considered
in addition to the appropriation measters which necessarily will take up ures, which necessarily will take up much of the time of the short session.

INDUSTRIAL UNREST

Federal Commission's Report Says Desire for Better Living Conditions Is First.

BILL TO PROBE EXCHANGE ESTIMATES FAVOR BILLION WANTED TO New York Cotton Board's

Action Stirs Congressman.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Congressional investigation of the New York Cotton Exchange and its method of dealing with the present cotton situation was asked in a resolution to-day by Representative Tribble, of Georgia.

Representative Tribble explained his resolution in a statement explant.

First Day's Bills.

Representative Tribble explained his resolution in a statement saying:

"When the Cotton Exchange opened the price of cotton was exceedingly low, and yet the New York Cotton Exchange hammered down the price one cent a pound almost immediately. This was a fair test of the methods of the exchanges. The exchange was closed and opened on a low market, and yet the opening of the exchange cost the farmers of the South millions of dollars."

The resolution was referred to the Rules Committee.

ZAPATA AND VILLA ANNOUNCE A UNION

Xochimilco Conference Ends in Agreement to Work Together. Mexico City, Dec. 4 (via El Paso,

Tex., Dec. 7) .- Generals Villa and Zapata met to-day at Xochimilico and Island, \$5,000 after a conference announced publicly

and Zapata will enter steaded thy tomorrow.

An active campaign will begin within
a week by both the Villa and Zapata
forces, according to the statements of
a high official of the present government. The plan calls for the sending
of four strong columns to attack the
followers of Carranza. The first expedition will consist of 48,000 men, who
will leave within the week, their objective point being Vera Cruz. In line
with this plan Villa to-day took over
the railway of an English corporation,
running between the capital and Vera
Cruz.

The second column of 15,000 men
soon afterward will be sent toward

The second column of 15,000 men soon afterward will be sent toward Guadalajara, their ultimate destination being the west coast. Another will be sent to Tampico and the fourth to Saltillo. The south will be taken care of by the Zapata troops, who already are besieging the city of Puebla.

STEEL TRUST LOSES ORE

Relations with Great Northern Co. End January 1.

Duluth, Minn., Dec. 7.—Relations between the Great Northern Ore Company and the United States Steel Corporation will end January 1, 1915, it was announced to-day. The Great Northern company will operate its own ore properties, which have estimated deposits of feem 200 000 000 to 300 000 000 to see 200,000,000 to 300,000,000 tons.

from 200,000,000 to 300,000,000 tons.

The Great Northern ore properties have been under lease to the Steel Corporation since 1907. All are on the Mesaba range, in Minnesota.

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NEW YORK RIVERS RUN UNITED STATES

Treasury's Figures for Harbors McAdoo's Estimate for 1915 Also Total \$50,000,000 for Entire Country.

Hudson River.

Passaic River, New Jersey.

[From The Tribene Bureau.] Washington, Dec. 7 .- Liberal appropriations for the rivers and harbors of New York are provided for in the estimate sent to Congress to-day by the Treasury Department, which submitted projects calling for a rivers and harbors bill of more than \$50,000,000. of this amount the Missispipi and Ohio rivers are slated to receive approximately \$10,000,000 each for the continuation of projects now under contract or authorized.

New York items in the estimates are:
Continuing improvement in complete

Continuing improvement in comple-tion of contract authorization of March 4, 1913, the sum of \$410,000 for the Hudson River.

Continuing improvement of North
River channel, \$100,000.

Completing improvement and maintenance. Hudson River, act of October
2, 1914, \$3,260,000; Gowanus Bay, \$150,000; New York harbor, Hudson River
channel, \$150,000.

Continuing improvement of Bayes

tion of this work reducing the esti-mates below \$20,000,000.

160,000; Newtown Creek, \$30,000.

Continuing improvement of Staten sland Sound to secure channel depth f twenty-five feet, \$500,000; main-enance of channel north of Shooters sland, \$5,000.

A total of \$155,000 is asked for the Passaic River, New Jersey.

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Appropriations. Washington, Dec. 7.—Estimates of appropriations for another billion-dollar session of Congress were sent to the House to-day by Secretary McAdoo, who figured that the operating expenses of the government for the next fiscal year would be \$1,090,775.134.78. The estimates last session original and supplemental, called for a total of \$1,119,322,723.62, but the total appropriations were \$1,116,000,000.

The record breaking appropriations of last session caused the administration to slash the estimates submitted to-day.

A big rivers and harbors bill, of approximately \$53,000,000, is provided for in the estimates, but there is no recommendation for a public buildings bill, if a buildings bill is insisted upon by the "pork barrelites" of Congress little economy can be effected.

There is a saving in the Panama Canal estimates, the practical completion of this work reducing the estimates below \$20,000.000. [From The Tribune Bureau.]

\$25,224,866 Under Last Year's

channel, \$150,000.

Continuing improvement of Bronx River, \$200,000; Harler: River channel, from East River to Hudson River, \$150,000; Newtown Creek, \$30,000.

Continuing improvement of Staten Island Sound to secure channel depth of twenty-five feet, \$500,000; maintenance of channel north of Shooters Leband \$5,000.